House Resolution No. 1358

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives consider it a distinct honor to be able to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have admirably dedicated themselves to meeting the spiritual needs of their local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Father Robert Crider has attained distinction as the parish priest of Saint Ann's Catholic Church of Plattsburg, Missouri, an important labor of love which he began in 1991 after serving as pastor of several churches in the northwest area of the state; and

Whereas, on Sunday, May 18, 2003, Father Robert Crider will receive well-deserved accolades from Saint Ann's parishioners who will present him with a "Memory Book" in honor of his Fifty Years as a Roman Catholic priest; and

Whereas, ordained on May 14, 1953, at Conception, Missouri, Father Robert Crider has spent his entire priesthood in the northwest Missouri region, except for an impressive twelve-year stint from 1962 to 1975 when he served as a missionary in Bolivia; and

Whereas, Father Robert Crider was born in Peoria, Illinois, into the loving family of Leon and Lisetta Crider who provided him with a warm, inviting home; met all of his childhood needs and many of his desires in life; and ensured that he had a solid foundation on which to build successes in his chosen field of endeavor; and

Whereas, Father Robert Crider enjoyed the traditional pleasures and challenges associated with growing up in the company of two brothers and three sisters, each of whom has supported and encouraged his early decision to enter into the rigorous, demanding expectations of service in the priesthood:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to express this legislative body's true respect for the life and work of Father Robert Crider and to convey to him our most heartfelt congratulations and best wishes as he and his parishioners celebrate his Fifty Years as a priest with the Roman Catholic Church; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Father Robert Crider of Saint Ann's Catholic Church in Plattsburg, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative James O. Guest
District No. 5
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1358, adopted April 2, 2003.